On motion the report was received and adopted.

Ald. Shaw read a communication, accompanied by a box, containing an Egyptian root, valuable for cattle food.

It was referred to the market committee to report.

Ald. Cousins moved, seconded by Ald. McDonald, that Mr. Robert Mawhinney be appointed janitor and care-taker of the City Hall.

Moved and seconded, in amendment, that the matter be left over for a week, for the purpose of receiving applications. The original motion was carried on a division.

On motion, Ald. Partridge, jr., took the chair.

Moved by Ald. McDonald, seconded by Ald. Cousins, that the thanks of this council and the sum of $1,000 be tendered to Mayor Campbell, for the satisfactory manner in which he fulfilled his duties during the past year.

Ald. McDonald moved that the 22d rule of order be suspended. Carried.

Yeas—Ald. Cousins, McDonald, Moffat, McCormick, Rapley, Cronyn, Partridge, sr., Egan, Barker, Smyth, Williams, Murray, Woods, and Fysh.

Nays — McBride, Shaw, Graydon and Christie.

Ald. Christie moved in amendment that the matter be referred to the salary committee to report. Lost.

Ald. Moffat moved in amendment that the Mayor receive $600, the same sum as the Mayor received last year; seconded by Ald. Woods.

Ald. McDonald withdrew his motion in favor of Ald. Moffat's amendment, which was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas — Cousins, McDonald, Moffat, Smyth, McCormick, Woods, Fysh, Murray, Williams, Egan, Cronyn, Partridge, jr.

Nays—McBride, Rapley, Shaw, Graydon, Christie.

Ald. Partridge tendered the thanks of the board to his worship, who returned suitable thanks.

Ald. McBride moved that the thanks of this council be tendered to Ald. Barker for his faithful and efficient services seconded by Ald. Cousins. The motion was carried.

On motion of Ald. McCormick, a vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Aldermen Fysh and Woods made suitable responses.

Ald. McBride moved, seconded by Ald. Shaw, that the thanks of the board be tendered to the representatives of the press for the faithful manner in which they had reported the meetings during the last year. Messrs. Dewar, Gahan and Gorman responded on behalf of their respective papers.

The council then adjourned at five minutes to twelve o'clock.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1873.

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The council met at noon to-day in the council chamber, for the purpose of electing the mayor for the ensuing year. The following members, having signed the qualification of office, took their seats, viz., Cousins, McDonald, Smyth, McBride, McPhail, Leonard, Brown, Moffat Rapley, Christie, Williams, Cronyn, Partridge, jr., Graydon, McCormick, Shaw, Egan, Beattie, Murray, Partridge, sr. Ald. Starr being absent.

The city clerk, Mr. A. S. Abbott, presided, and said that all the members had signed the qualification, with the exception of Ald. Starr, who was delayed by illness.

Ald. Williams moved that after the nomination, and before the election, the candidates for the Mayorality express their opinions on the salary question, as to whether they would serve with or without salary.

Ald. McPhail seconded the resolution.

Moved by Ald. Cronyn, seconded by Ald McBride, that as there has been in the past no defined mode of election of mayor by this council, and the arrangements as heretofore carried on being considered unsatisfactory—Resolved that in the election about to take place, the ballot system be adopted and used; no nominations to be made. The members of the Board voting for one candidate only, upon each submission of the ballot, until an election is made.

Ald. Cronyn's resolution was then put and lost—nine voting in its favor, and ten against it.

Ald. McBride moved, seconded by Ald. Moffat, that no member of this council shall vote for more than one candidate on each submission of names. Lost.

Ald. Graydon moved, seconded by Ald. McBride, that the council adjourn until four o'clock, in order to give time to those interested to bring out their men. Lost.

Ald. McBride nominated Ald. Shaw, but found no seconder.

Ald. Egan nominated Ald. A. McCormick as mayor for 1873.

Ald. McPhail seconded the nomination.

Ald. Cousins, nominated Ald Partridge, jr., seconded by Ald. Williams.

Ald. Moffat nominated Ald. J. B. Smyth, seconded by Ald. Cronyn.

This closed the nominations, and the clerk said that he would take the vote, and the candidate who had the majority of the council would be declared elected.

The following is the result of the first vote:

McCormick	10
Partridge, jr	6
Smyth	6

No election was the result, and the vote was taken again on all the candidates, and the vote stood:

McCormick	10
Partridge, jr	6
Smyth	5

On the third vote Ald. McCormick received eleven votes, and was declared elected.

The mayor elect, amid much applause, signed the declaration of office, and was declared by the clerk mayor for 1873.

Ex-Mayor Campbell then introduced the mayor elect to the mayor's chair, and said it gave him much pleasure, and hoped that the business during the year would be conducted happily and prosperously.

Mayor McCormick then addressed the council, thanked them for the honor conferred, and hoped that at the expiration of the year he would be able to return to them the trust reposed as unsullied as it was when committed to him to-day. He was not prepared to make a speech, but thanked them from his heart for the proof of their confidence they had given him by the large vote of to-day.

The next business was the appointment of auditors.

The mayor appointed Mr. Alex. Davidson.

Ald. Moffat moved Mr. A. G. Smyth, seconded by Ald. Williams.

Ald. Cousins nominated Mr. C. D. Shaw, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr.